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DURING DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR ON JULY 25, FONMIN
KIM TONG-CHO RAISED ISSUE OF LINKAGE VIETNAMESE
APPLICATION FOR UN MEMBERSHIP WITH THAT OF ROK. HE SAID
THAT PRESIDENT PAK HAD DISCUSSED MATTER WITH HIM THAT
MORNING AND HAD INSTRUCTED HIM TO RAISE IT WITH THE
AMBASSADOR PRIOR TO AMBASSADOR'S RETURN TO WASHINGTON ON
CONSULTATION. FONMIN SAID THAT LINKAGE IS EXTREMELY
IMPORTANT MATTER FOR ROK. HE OBSERVED THAT US COMMITMENT
TO ROK WAS NOT ONLY IN SECURITY FIELD BUT EXTENDED TO
DIPLOMATIC EFFORTS TO PREVENT THE ROK FROM BECOMING ISOLATED
IN THE INTERNATIONAL AREA. AMBASSADOR SAID THAT IN VIEW
OF PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO PRESIDENT FORD AND REPRESENTATIONS
BY FONMIN AND OTHER ROKG OFFICIALS, USG WAS FULLY AWARE
OF ROKG CONCERNS.

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